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UK's retention rate decreases slightly

By Chris Miles
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

As the spring semester unfolds, at least one in every 10 UK students will not return to continue their undergraduate studies. The Institutional Research department of UK has recently put out an unofficial statistic that says 9.3 percent of all full and part-time students that were enrolled at UK in the last fall semester have dropped out and will

not continue into the spring of 2006. "This rate is really comparable to the last ten years," Roger Sugarman, the director of Institutional Research, said. "It's not a cause for concern."

The Institutional Research department has projected that the retention rate, or the percentage of students continuing their studies, of students from the Fall 2005 semester to the Spring 2006 semester is about 90.7 per-

cent. That means for every 10 UK students that were enrolled last semester, only about nine of them returned. "We would be delighted if no one left," Sugarman said of the retention rate. "But this is normal."

Compared with the last inter-semester period between Fall 2004 and Spring 2005, there has been a slight decline in the amount of students that have returned. The retention rate between Fall 2004 and Spring 2005 was

officially tagged at 91.2 percent.

Not all the students who leave UK are dropping out of college; many are simply transferring.

"This is normal for UK and most large research universities," Sugarman said. "We find more and more that students are attending more than one institution to get their degree."

This trend, called swirling, is a national one. Sugarman stressed that

this is normal for UK. But he did also point out that UK's retention rate is lower than most of its benchmark institutions.

The reasons for students dropping out of school are varied.

As Mary Bolin-Reece, the counseling and testing director at the UK Counseling Center, pointed out, students will drop out for reasons ranging from family issues,

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Fall 2005 to Spring 2006 retention rate

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Fall 2004 to Spring 2005 retention rate

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What rhymes with 'geek'?



Danny Cotton, a sophomore journalism major, read his poem last night at the poetry slam. He uses a cigarette as a prop for the poem. The poetry slam was part of Geek Week, a celebration of the College of Arts and Sciences.

BRAD LUTTWELL | STAFF

Last night, Geek Week rolled on with a poetry slam in the Cats Den. The week-long celebration promotes all the programs within the College of Arts and Sciences, including the humanities and the social, natural and mathematical sciences. The yearly event is planned by the 15 Arts and Sciences student ambassadors and all events are free and open to the public.

WEDNESDAY

February 22

■ A&S Ambassadors Bleed Blue Blood Drive

Where: Buell Armory
When: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

■ "New Orleans and Katrina: A Global Perspective"

Where: Room 230 Student Center
When: 2 p.m.

■ Earth and Environmental Sciences Open House

Where: Slone Building, 2nd Floor (on Washington Ave.)
When: 6 - 8 p.m.

■ Reading Bones

Where: Thomas Hunt Morgan Biology Building (corner of Rose and Washington Streets)
When: 7 - 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

February 23

■ Get a Slice of the Pie! - Career Center CyberCAT Event

Where: Stuckert Career Center
When: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

■ "Fish on Friday: Feasting, Fasting, and the Discovery of the New World"

Where: Student Center Theater
When: 7 p.m.

FRIDAY

February 24

■ The World-Famous Chemical Reaction Attraction

Where: Room 139 Chemistry-Physics Building (Rose Street)
When: 7:15 - 8:30 p.m.

Lecture explores suicide bombing

By Keith Brooks
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

A terrorism expert led a lecture about suicide bombings and terrorism last night in the Center Theater in the Student Center, discussing motivations and reasons for the act, along with related topics.

Mia Bloom, a professor at the University of Cincinnati and author of the book, "Dying to Kill: The Allure of Suicide Terror" dispelled the myths about suicide bombing and offered several explanations about the terror-

ists' motives.

The Patterson School of Diplomacy and International Commerce presented the speech, and asked Bloom, who has a doctorate in political science from Columbia University and has worked with the Office of Counter-Terrorism for the State of New Jersey to return after she participated in a lecture last year.

"Our understanding of suicide terrorism becomes developed and nuanced," she said,

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Mia Bloom, author of the book "Dying to Kill: The Allure of Suicide Terror" spoke yesterday evening in the Center Theater in the Student Center.

ED MATTHEWS | STAFF

Cartoon controversy stirs debate

By Robin Bryant
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

Students on campus, both Muslim and non-Muslim, are speaking up with opinions on a series of cartoons which have created an uproar in Muslim communities worldwide.

The cartoons, which depict the Islamic prophet Muhammad, were first published by Danish newspaper Jyllands-Posten in September. Since then, the cartoons have spread through Europe and the Internet.

Protests and violence have also erupted in the wake of the cartoons and there have been attacks on embassies and diplomatic buildings in Afghanistan, Iraq, Lebanon and Bosnia and more than a dozen people have died in demonstrations.

According to the Quran, the holy book of Islam, no prophet should be drawn for fear that people may begin worshipping the engraved images instead of God, or Allah.

"I'm not Muslim, but I've seen the cartoons and they offended me," said Kate Metzger, a public service and leadership senior. "I really don't think any compassionate human being would really want to portray a prophet as a suicide bomber or a terrorist."

Muslim Student Association President and third-year law student Rouda Alouach said she believes in upholding freedom and is also eager to inform others that violence shouldn't be the answer.

"I, as most Muslims on campus and in America, value deeply the First Amendment rights," said Alouach, who also organized a forum at WT Young Library on Sunday to discuss the cartoons and their impact. "Muslims are upset at the depiction of our beloved prophet but the violence that has ensued is not acceptable under Islamic principles."

Mehmet Saracoglu, an engineering graduate student and Turkish Student Association president, doesn't condone the violence either.

"A Muslim individual cannot have hatred or a negative thought in his or her heart about any religion or a religious person and their sacred values," Saracoglu said. "Otherwise he would not be accepted as a Muslim anymore."

Saracoglu still questions the media's judgment. "Newspapers are not allowed to use any articles or drawings which advocate anti-Semitism," Saracoglu said. "The Western media displays this kind of fastidious attitude towards Judaism; however, it does not care about the holiness of the figures at all when Islam is at issue."

Some students argue that censorship isn't a moral option.

"Freedom of the press should be the right of all humans regardless of where you are in the world," said architecture sophomore, Amanda Hamilton.

However, some students think that freedom of the press means more. "The First Amendment was created for everyone, it's a right we all have in the United States," said Nathan Garrison, a chemical engineering sophomore. "That's not the case in other parts of the world, so we should maintain that freedom. But when you're offending a large portion of the world, it makes you stop and think about the issue of free speech."

Others also said journalists should ques-

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physical or mental illness, overwhelming workloads and that a university atmosphere might be too large and unfriendly for them.

"Maybe they feel too far from home," Bolin-Reece said on one example. "It is very case by case, very individual."

Sugarman agreed there could be a wide variety of reasons for students to leave school.

"There are many factors for (dropout) rate," he said. "Students may not be pre-

pared for the course work. Some students might be homesick or feel like they should be attending a smaller school."

Bolin-Reece explained that when a student comes to the counseling center counselors do all they can to help them deal with their issues and stay at UK.

"We look at the total life demands of the student, such as work and family," Bolin-Reece said. "We look at all of the pieces of the puzzle. If the student can find a way to stay enrolled, then we look at how they could stay in."

The counseling center helps students make their decision whether or not to drop out of UK by helping

outline a specific cost and benefits model.

"We ask students what they have control over and where they could make choices," Bolin-Reece said. "It's seldom that there is one answer, but we help them make a decision."

Sugarman said he felt there are things that the university can do to help make the retention rate higher, including connecting to students.

"The university is doing everything it can to respond to the needs of students and make a big place smaller," Sugarman said. "We'd like to see them get their undergraduate degree here."

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Cartoons

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tion if publishing the cartoons is right.

"Journalism has ethics and the question is did they live up to those ethics?" said community and leadership development professor Loraine Garkovich. "If you're going to demand tolerance, you should grant respect."

Others said they believe

that just because something can be printed doesn't mean it should be printed.

"Like most Americans I do not feel that these cartoons violate our First Amendment," said Rameen Hadizadeh, a mechanical engineering senior. "However, there are lines that can be crossed, and innocent people are the ones who experience the aftermath."

Others wonder what the real point to publishing these cartoons was.

"If your sole purpose is to offend people, then maybe

you've lost the point," Hamilton said.

Many believe a deeper look is necessary.

"Students should care enough to probe the situation a bit further, rather than simply inhaling the bold prints of today's journalism," Hadizadeh said. "We can no longer stand by and refuse to educate ourselves about other religions and other people in a world that is economically intertwined with ours."

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Terror

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mentioning that people are still learning about terrorism. "Suicide terrorism is just what we hear about."

Bloom cited elements of terrorism and that as many as 100 forms of terrorism other than suicide bombing exist. Suicide bombing grew in the 1990s and has spread, most notably Iraq.

"Suicide bombing ... will tend to increase when there are competing groups," Bloom also said that money was a contributing factor.

Many groups associated with organizations such as al-Qaeda have personal con-

cerns and choose to use suicide bombing when their state military fails.

"Suicide bombing only spreads in countries where the population is receptive to terrorists targeting civilians," Bloom said.

Suicide bombings kill six times as many people as a regular attack would and wound 12 times as many, she said. She also said many people still correlate these attacks with religious extremists.

"Suicide bombing is not about religion," she said.

"Something that I advocate is having more Muslim voices saying this is a hypocrisy ... as well as the supporting populations ceasing all the violence."

Satrio Husodo, a biotechnology freshman, said he be-

came more informed because of the speech.

"I thought the martyrdom was the main point before this, but now it's about the terrorists recruiting more people," he said.

Karen Mingst, director of the Patterson School, thought Bloom gave an analytical presentation that considered reasons for why people consider such acts.

"There's already a discourse going on," Mingst added.

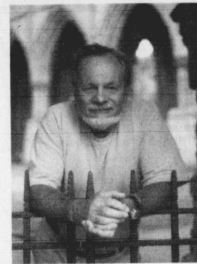
Bloom also said involvement is necessary to stop this form of terrorism.

"There are certain things we can't control, but there are certain things we can — like suicide bombing," Bloom said.

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Fish on Friday: Feasting, Fasting and the Discovery of the New World

Brian Fagan
Professor Emeritus,
University of California,
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Fagan melds archaeology, climate change, history and food history to tell the story of how Christian fish-eating doctrines changed history.

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"New Orleans and Katrina: A Geologist's Perspective"

2 p.m., 230 Student Center

Find out why and how the Crescent City was so devastated by Hurricane Katrina from Paul Howell, who worked in the Gulf Coast area for years and leads student geology tours there. Reception immediately follows

Earth & Environmental Sciences Open House

6-8 p.m., Slone Building, 2nd floor (on Washington Avenue).

Hands-on activities include the rock pile; rocks under a microscope; glow-in-the-dark minerals; the "ant farm"; volcano videos; and guided tours of the mineral and fossil collections in the Hudnall Museum in Bowman Hall.

Reading Bones

Dr. Jim Krupa, Dept. of Biology

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With new faces, high court revisits to abortion debate

By Charles Lane
THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court agreed Tuesday to decide whether a 2003 federal ban on the procedure known as "partial-birth abortion" is constitutional, setting the stage for its most significant ruling on abortion rights in almost 15 years.

Without comment or recorded dissent, the court granted the Bush administration's request to review a lower court's ruling striking down the law, which passed Congress overwhelmingly but has yet to be enforced.

The case will test the new balance of abortion opinion on a court whose membership now includes two Bush appointees, Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr. and Justice Samuel A. Alito Jr. Given their conservative leanings and the court's past vote count on the issue, the federal ban's chances appear strong.

Arguing that an appeals court's invalidation of an act of Congress was worthy of the court's attention, the Bush administration persuaded the justices to take the case without one usual criterion for doing so — a division among lower courts. Since the first appeals court struck down the law last year, two other appeals courts have followed suit.

Performed by fewer than two dozen physicians in the country, the procedure, known medically as "intact dilation and evacuation," takes place relatively late in pregnancy, generally after the 20th week, when the fetus's head may become lodged in the birth canal. Under those circumstances, the doctors draw the fetus out feet first, then puncture the skull to vacuum out the brain and collapse the head, permitting the rest of the fetus to be removed.

It is unclear how often the procedure is done. Abortion rights organizations say the annual number is in the hundreds; anti-abortion groups say thousands. There were 1.3

million abortions in the United States in 2002, of which 88 percent occurred during the first 12 weeks of pregnancy, according to the Guttmacher Institute.

What is clear is that few other issues in American politics trigger stronger emotions. A 2005 poll by the Quinnipiac University Polling Institute showed that three-quarters of the public supports a ban, except when a mother's life is at stake.

But some physicians, including the plaintiff in this case, Leroy Carhart of Nebraska, say partial birth abortion is sometimes safer than the alternatives, which may include the dismemberment of the fetus before its extraction.

For the Supreme Court, the issue is whether the constitutional right to have an abortion means that any law regulating this procedure must contain an exception to protect a mother's health.

In a 1992 decision reaffirming the abortion right first announced in *Roe v. Wade* 19 years earlier, the court barred abortion regulations that pose an "undue burden" on women.

The court applied that ruling in 2000 to a Nebraska ban on partial-birth abortion that was similar to laws in 25 states. It struck the law down 5-4, ruling that it was so vaguely written that it could also criminalize other procedures, and that it lacked an exception for the mother's health.

The federal Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act of 2003 was Congress's answer to that ruling. It banned the procedure except when necessary to save the life of the mother. And it deliberately omitted an exception to protect the mother's health. Indeed, as drafted by its Republican sponsors, the law formally declared, based on expert testimony, that such an abortion could never be necessary to preserve health.

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the 8th Circuit, based in St. Louis, said in July that the lack of a health exception

made the law unconstitutional under the 2000 Supreme Court ruling that had required a health exception whenever "substantial medical authority" supports the necessity of the procedure. Congress's findings to the contrary were not sufficient, the 8th Circuit ruled.

But the Bush administration argues that the federal law is more precisely drawn than the Nebraska statute, and that the courts must defer to Congress's findings regarding the medical necessity of the procedure.

Oral argument in the case, *Gonzales vs. Carhart*, is likely to take place during the run-up to the 2006 congressional elections, and the high political stakes were evident from the statements of pro-choice and anti-abortion organizations.

"We fear the new court is ready to further undermine a woman's access to legal abortion," says Jennifer Brown, vice president and legal director of Legal Momentum, a women's rights organization.

Douglas Johnson, legislative director of the National Right to Life Committee, said that "Unless the Supreme Court now reverses the extreme position that five justices took in 2000, partly born premature infants will continue to die by having their skulls punctured by seven-inch scissors."

When the court voted 5-4 to strike down Nebraska's partial-birth abortion ban in 2000, former justice Sandra Day O'Connor cast the deciding vote.

She is no longer on the court, and has been replaced by Alito, who sat on his first oral argument Tuesday. As a federal appeals judge, Alito voted to strike down a New Jersey partial birth abortion ban, saying that his court must follow the Supreme Court's 2000 ruling. But in 1991, he voted to allow Pennsylvania to require spousal notification prior to abortion. He said that the state's rule, and its exceptions, did not pose an "undue burden."

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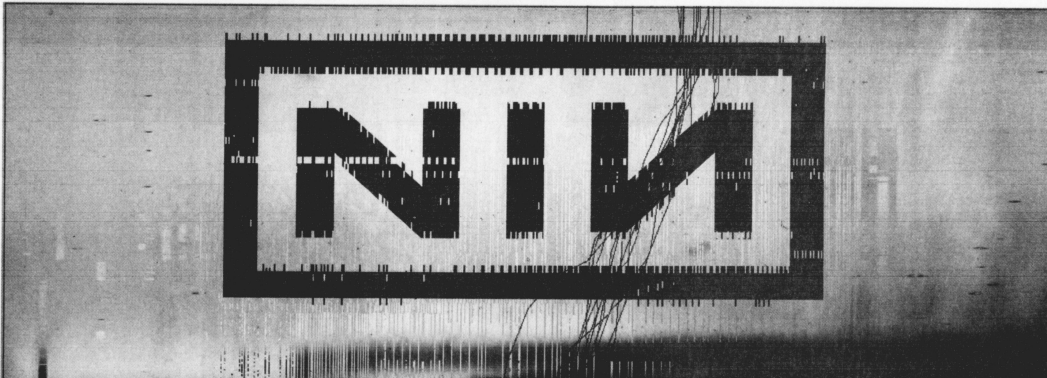
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Broken hand sidelines hot-shooting Bradley

By Chris DeLotell
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

If UK is going to solidify its NCAA Tournament position in the final four games of the regular season, the Cats will have to do it without sharp-shooting guard Ramel Bradley.

The sophomore broke his left hand in practice on Monday when he slammed it against a basket support.

"I was frustrated," Bradley said. "I went to the basket and missed a lay-up, so I punched (the support)." Bradley noted that his aggravation had been building.

"I've been struggling the last few games and I've been frustrated," he said. "I wanted to be on the court a little more than I have been."

Head coach Tubby Smith said Bradley will not need surgery.

"He's in a splint," Smith said, "but they don't have to do anything else to it. He's doing OK."

Smith was unsure how quickly Bradley will return, and was unwilling to commit to a certain date.

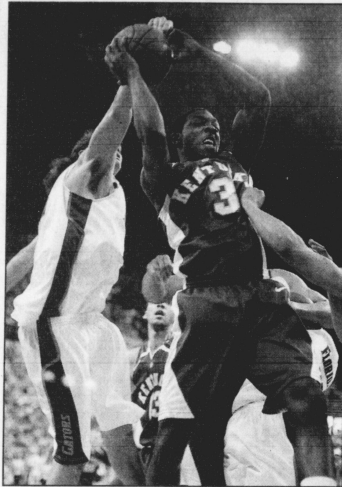
"The timeline is two weeks to more or less," Smith said. "It depends on how he goes. It's not like he's incapacitated. He can run. He can stay in shape."

"It's not his shooting hand, so he can still shoot, and I know he'll do that."

Bradley, one of UK's best 3-point shooters, is fourth on the team in scoring. Over the past 11 games, he has made 14 of 28 3-point attempts and has emerged as a top scoring threat.

According to Smith, Bradley's injury will open up opportunities for other players, especially Preston LeMaster.

"It expands some of the



KEITH SMILLY / STAFF

Sophomore guard Ramel Bradley will likely miss the final four games of the regular season after breaking his hand in practice on Monday.

other players' roles, like Preston LeMaster," Smith said. "He's a very talented player and he grades out positively every practice. This might be his chance."

Smith said the team will also count more on Brandon Stockton, who has started both games since Smith implemented his new ratings system.

The players acknowledged the need for teammates to fill Bradley's role.

"It's an opportunity for

my teammates to step up," said center Lukasz Obrzut. "Somebody's going to have to replace Ramel's role and catch it and run with it and keep scoring and winning."

Bradley said he won't enjoy having to sit on the bench for the remainder of the regular season.

"It's gonna be tough," he said, "but I'll still be over there motivating my teammates."

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Sexual Health Study: Women Only

This anonymous study invites UK and LCC female students to take part in a survey about sexual behaviors and beliefs pertaining to sexually transmitted diseases and cervical cancer. Women who self-identify as lesbians are especially encouraged to participate in this survey. To participate you must:

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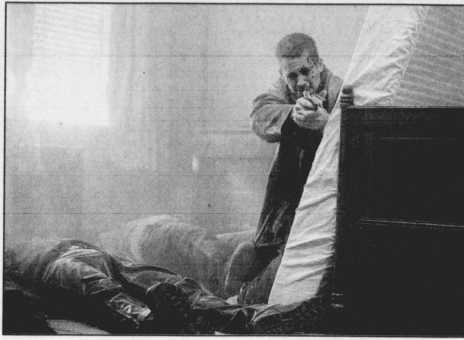
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FRAMEXFRAME | In theaters and on shelves



Paul Walker stars as a mob lackey in "Running Scared" who must save his family by retrieving a stolen gun that could collapse his fragile house of cards. "Running Scared" opens Friday at Regal.

Editor's note: Some weekends just don't have thrilling movie releases, and when I have to write these previews/reviews I get really passive aggressive. Sorry in advance.

IN THEATERS RUNNING SCARED

Paul Walker ("The Fast and the Furious," "Joyride") plays a mob clean-up lackey who has the strange penchant for storing weapons with criminal implications and mafia fingerprints in his basement. Much to his chagrin, however, one of the pistols goes missing after an attempted hit on his family. Should the police discover the gun, Walker's character will be spending a lot of time in a five by five jail cell with a large man named Bubba. **Opens Friday at Regal.**

DOOGAL

"Doogal" is claymation, fantasy-adventure. Why haven't you soiled yourself from sheer, unbridled excitement yet? In this soon-to-be classic, a pensive pup named Doogal and his three friends, Dylan, Bryan and Ermintrude, have to collect three magical stones before the evil wizard Zeebad or else the world is doomed. They're serious? I can't do this anymore. I quit. **Opens Friday at Regal and Woodhill.**

MADEA'S FAMILY REUNION

This winner picks up where "Diary of a Mad Black Woman" left off. The film follows Madea's trials and tribulations of

trying to handle a runaway whom she's been court-ordered to take custody in the midst of organizing her family reunion. **Opens Friday at Regal, Woodhill and Lexington Green.**

ON DVD RENT

This movie felt like it was five hundred twenty-five thousand six hundred minutes long. Yes, I actually saw this one in theaters. Granted, it took about two-and-a-half bottles of wine to get through, but I made it. I wouldn't wish this movie on anyone, but apparently it really found an audience as some sort of strange, dying art known as a stage production musical. Weird.

THE WEATHERMAN

Think "Anchorman," only instead of being entertaining and funny, make it bitterly depressing. That overwhelming aura is accentuated in this scenario by replacing Will Farrell with Nicholas Cage who plays the same neurotic, detached character he's been playing in every movie since "Honeymoon in Las Vegas." I got it, Nic. Thanks.

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ONTAP | For the week of FEB. 22 - FEB. 28

TONIGHT

The North Mississippi Allstars
8 p.m. The Dame. Tickets cost \$16.

Graham Weber w/ The Kentucky Struts
9:30 p.m. Southgate House, Newport.
Tickets cost \$8 to \$10.

TOMORROW

Gretchen Wilson
7:30 p.m. Rupp Arena. Tickets cost \$33 to \$43.

Coldplay w/ Fiona Apple
7:30 p.m. Freedom Hall, Louisville.
Tickets cost \$36 to \$66.

Umphey's McGee
8 p.m. Bogarts, Cincinnati. Tickets cost \$18.

Club Dub
9 p.m. The Dame. Tickets cost \$3.

The North Mississippi Allstars w/ Steef Train
9 p.m. Southgate House, Newport.
Tickets cost \$15 to \$18.

Sasquatch and the Sick-A-Billies w/ Arsenic on the Rocks
7 p.m. The Dame. Tickets cost \$3.

FRIDAY

Sara Evans
7:30 p.m. Caesar's Indiana, Elizabeth, Ind. Tickets cost \$45 to \$55.

Nine Inch Nails
8 p.m. Rupp Arena. Tickets cost \$38.50.

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11 p.m. The Fishtank. Ticket cost TBA.

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IN OUR OPINION

For students' sake, SG needs major change

If recent years are any indication, Student Government is an organization in disarray. Students know it more for election scandals and petty infighting than for representing student interests and sparking positive change on campus.

But SG's inauspicious past doesn't preclude it from playing a valuable role on campus in the future. In fact, we think a strong SG would make UK a much better place — if serious changes are made. So for the past four weeks, The Kernel has detailed ways for the organization to improve itself and become a relevant, positive force on campus.

One might say that laying out a specific plan for SG less than a month and a half before this spring's elections will just encourage candidates to make false promises in order to carry favor with this editorial board. But we're not merely asking candidates to adopt the changes we've laid out — we're asking the student body to demand that candidates take these suggestions and follow through on them.

Every student pays fees into SG, and all should see to it that they be put to the best use possible. That means following the issues, voting in the election and holding candidates accountable for their promises. With that in mind, here's what we think students should ask of their candidates this year.

Representation on campus

Administration decisions affect students all the time, from revisions of the student code to the use of Facebook pictures in enforcing campus alcohol policies. There should be a prominent student voice about situations like these when they arise, and SG is exactly the organization to fill that role.

But aside from unfulfilled promises to seek changes to dead week, we've seen almost no action from SG officials on campus issues. Instead, SG's agenda has been tied up mostly in sponsoring large events like Gator Roast and the Valentine's Day Gala.

SG shouldn't function merely as the Student Activities Board's little brother — a better model would be a political party. The organization could develop a group to research administration policies and release statements and position papers explaining the relevant issues to students. SG officials should not be seen to be sponsoring or even protesting when university officials are seen to be violating student rights.

Representation in the city

Students often feel as though city government is hostile to their interests. Measures such as the Party Plan and the keg-tagging ordinance may or may not be good policy, but they are undoubtedly

aimed at the student population. It's hard to imagine they would be on the books if students had ample representation on the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council.

But the only organization capable of recruiting student or student-friendly candidates — SG — has not done so. Students represent a large enough voting bloc to fill the 3rd District council seat and perhaps even some of the three at-large seats, but that will never happen without leadership from SG.

Even short of fielding candidates, there are more simple steps SG could take to improve student representation. It could help students register to vote locally and inform students about the candidates and issues at

stake in Lexington. Without such leadership, the adversarial relationship with local government unfortunately will continue.

Election reform

Part of what SG currently lacks is legitimacy, since election scandals have been so frequent over the past few years. Moreover, turnout in elections is disappointingly low, rarely breaking 15 percent of the student body.

Three simple steps could make SG elections far more democratic. First, online voting should be implemented as soon as possible in order to make voting easier and (we hope) raise turnout. Second, candidates should have a public debate moderated by leaders of various student organizations, instead of only holding such events for the Greek Political Action Caucus and the Black Student Union. Finally, senators and the Constitutional Revision Committee should clarify rules about election violations so that fiascos like last year's court battle cannot happen again.

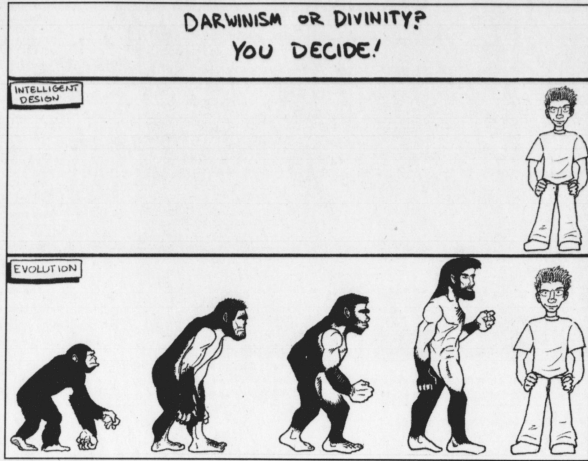
If SG's credit, it has begun working on online voting, and the Constitutional Revision Committee exists partly to fix the problems that arose in the last election. Students need to make sure that these beginnings of reform are seen through.

Communication

Students are often left in the dark about what SG is doing on campus and the services it offers. This is enough of a problem now, since fees are being spent on services that are going unused. But poor communication definitely cannot be the status quo when SG becomes a vehicle for political change.

Regularly updating its Web site and using it as a catch-all campus events calendar would be a good first step for SG to improve communication. Future communications directors should work on finding affordable, effective ways to inform students of what SG is doing.

We're not looking for empty promises. These are the reforms that the student body should demand from SG



BRAD STURGEON, THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

2006 is starting to look a lot like '1984'

Do people really find comfort in being watched?

In Chicago, some odd proposals involving mandatory security cameras have been pushed rather forcefully by city leaders, and (if you believe the papers) they are enjoying considerable political support there.

The Windy City's surveillance network currently consists of more than 2,000 cameras in sites such as transit stations, streets and public housing complexes. It also includes traffic cameras at intersections and soon will include police SUVs equipped with scanners that can process 3,600 license plates per hour (enabling better traffic enforcement), according to the Chicago Tribune.

Now Mayor Richard Daley has proposed extending the scope to mandate police cameras in thousands of local businesses, such as bars and businesses open more than 12 hours a day, according to USA Today.

In Houston, officials want to push the envelope even further, placing cameras in "apartment complexes, downtown streets, shopping malls and even private homes to fight crime during a shortage of police officers," according to the Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

So what? If these measures will make residents safer and citizens want it, what's the harm?

Before we let the government fools rush in, let's ask a few skepti-

cal questions:

Is an incremental increase in security worth it if Americans allow the government to gnaw away at their cherished liberties? Is candid camera governance as effective as its promoters claim? How can citizens be sure surveillance technology won't evolve and outgrow its originally intended purposes? Is the government constitutionally sanctioned to set up a police state in private businesses and homes, and if a public official disagrees with the "police state" characterization, could he or she please tell us subjects how that definition doesn't fit?

Officials responding to critics — who rightly assert that government is substantially curbing constitutional rights by abusing surveillance technology — glibly offer a predictable, two-pronged response.

Chicago officials have suggested that in addition to fighting crime, extra cameras will reduce the chances of a terrorist attack. This is the same justification employed by President Bush with his domestic wiretapping program.

The second retort has been offered up by officials in Chicago and Houston: "If you're not doing anything wrong, what do you have to worry about?"

However, neither response is adequate. The jury's still out on the economic efficacy and accuracy of security cameras and other surveillance technology. And the second assertion is dependent, on operational definition of "wrong" being used.

Unless a citizen believes the government to be an infallible moral authority, he or she will have a problem with those in pow-

er scrutinizing and punishing an individual's private behavior according to an officially sanctioned conception of right and wrong.

Inherent in officials is a misapprehension about the end of government — which is to preserve and enlarge liberty, not preserve and enlarge security.

Indeed, people who wish to have the government preserve their liberties are now viewed as a security problem.

Here in Lexington, owners of home security systems have to pay a \$15 annual tax. People who haven't paid the tax are fined if their system produces a false alarm. The taxes are used to pay for the False Alarm Reduction Unit, which consists of three officers and costs \$225,000 to \$300,000 a year, according to the Lexington Herald-Leader.

Unfortunately, more than 90 percent of alarms are false. But rather than make the security companies pony up for their faulty models, citizens are forced to eat the costs. And because of a new verification process that took effect last year, the alarm company has to call the owner first to verify that yes, there is a crime taking place, before bothering the police.

So ironically, a citizen who pays for both collective (police) and individual (alarm) security in order to preserve his or her freedom is viewed as a security problem.

When officials laud the utility of Big Brother surveillance technology and become annoyed when we Lexingtonians dare demand something of them, it raises the question: Just who should be watching whom?

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Don't let Hoosiers suck gambling money out of the Bluegrass

Driving around Lexington, it's likely students have seen the billboards featuring messages like "Let the People Decide" and "Indiana Sucks."



Wes Blewins
KERNEL COLUMNIST

Though Indiana does, in fact, suck, there is, in this instance, some proverbial fine print.

In this case, Indiana (and to a lesser extent, Illinois) sucks more than \$600 million every year out of Kentucky's economy through casino revenue. In fact, research has shown that 51 percent of gross casino revenues in these states come from Kentuckians.

Last week, State Rep. Joe Barrows, D-Versailles, filed bills that would let Kentucky voters decide whether casino gambling should be allowed at racetracks. The bills, if passed, will permit all facets of casino gambling at tracks, includ-

ing table games such as black jack and craps.

Barrows' bills are part of a long effort by the Kentucky Equine Education Project, whose interests in the matter revolve around increased revenue for racetracks and horse farms.

Arguments against casino gaming are plentiful. Critics complain that casinos will have a negative impact on communities, and will hurt local businesses, eventually making Kentucky worse off.

Research has shown, however, that casinos expand the overall economy of local communities. Mississippi's Gulf Coast saw a resurgence of local businesses through increased tourism and population growth.

University of New Orleans researchers, after examining several local casino communities, found that "when casinos are developed, all aspects of the local food and beverage business increase: the number of establishments increases, the number of people employed increases, and payroll increases at

an even greater rate than the first two."

Another argument claims that casino dollars will go to out-of-state operators, instead of staying in host communities. Under the current plan, however, casinos would be operated by existing racetrack license holders. The communities would also receive a percentage of gaming funds from the state's share, to be used for education, health care, local government and economic development.

Casino operators have proven to be good citizens of their host communities. Harrah's Metropolis casino, located across the river from Paducah, donated a \$35,000 delivery truck to a local Meals on Wheels organization. It also gives \$100,000 annually to a local home improvement fund. Rising Sun, Ind., established a Regional Foundation in 1994 with the cooperation of Rising Sun Casino. As of June 2003, the foundation had donated \$13.7 million in local grants.

Other arguments against expanded gaming focus on casino pa-

trons. It is often argued that casino gaming would do the most damage to poor citizens. An American Gaming Association study shows, however, that compared to the average American, the average casino patron has a higher median income and is more likely to have a college degree.

Estimates put Kentucky's tax share of casino revenue at \$437 million per year. Local and state leaders recently sang the praises of the 2010 World Equestrian Games in Lexington, with initial estimates putting \$300 million into the state economy.

The World Equestrian Games, however, is a one-time event. Casino gaming would put a minimum of \$400 million into Kentucky's economy every year.

Most important for Kentucky counties and communities is the share of money that casinos will put into local economies. Under the proposed bill, Fayette County would receive \$7.3 million for education, a 3 percent increase over this year's budget. Fayette County

health care would benefit with a \$4.9 million share, while local government would receive \$3 million.

Every county in Kentucky would benefit from casino money, not only those hosting casinos. My home county, Boyd County, would receive \$1.5 million for education, \$1 million for healthcare and \$750,000 for economic development.

The best argument for casinos in Kentucky is perhaps the most simple. Kentucky's current laws do nothing to stop 596,000 Kentuckians from crossing state lines to gamble every year. Why should Kentucky citizens pay for education and health care in Illinois and Indiana?

State legislators should be doing everything in their power to ensure Kentucky dollars stay in Kentucky. Barrows' bill is a good start. But in order for the measure to succeed, senators and representatives need to know that their constituents support investing in Kentucky's future.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL NOTEBOOK

UK-Ole Miss a battle of father against son

By Josh Sullivan
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

Tonight's clash with Ole Miss in Rupp Arena will be more than another late season "must-win" for the UK men's basketball team. It will also be a family reunion for head coach Tubby Smith.

His youngest son Brian joined the Rebels after graduating from Lexington Catholic High School in 2003.

"It'll be good seeing my son, but it's tough coaching against your relatives," Smith said.

The sophomore point guard has played in all 25 games for the Rebels so far this season and is averaging 13.4 minutes per contest while knocking down 47-percent of his shots. All three of Smith's sons have played college hoops in the Southeastern Conference. G.G. Smith played at Georgia from 1996-99 and Saul Smith played for the Wildcats from 1998-2001.

The mental toll on Smith coaching against his son won't be as taxing as the physical toll on his team dealing with Rebel big man Dwayne Curtis. The 6-foot-8, 290-pound sophomore center is putting up 13.4 points and 7.5 rebounds per game so far this season. Smith says the match-up with Curtis will be a huge test for sophomore Randolph Morris, who netted his first double-double of the season Saturday at South Carolina with 13 points and 11 rebounds.

"He's going up against a man in Dwayne Curtis," Smith said. "Not that (his previous m a t c h - u p s) weren't good, but (Curtis) is heavier, beefier and stronger."

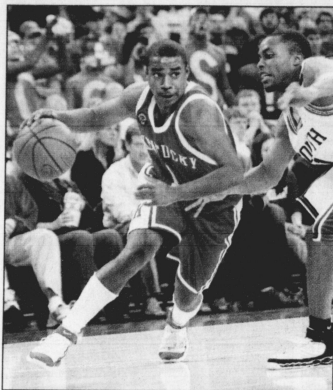
A win against the Rebels would move the Cats one step closer to the inside of the proverbial post-season bubble that all NCAA tournament contenders fear. Junior forward Bobby Perry said that even though the Cats have strung together back-to-back wins over Georgia and South Carolina, they shouldn't feel like a tournament invite is secure just yet.

"Two games don't tell the story," he said. "We've got to play hard each and every game. Going down the stretch, every win is paramount and critical to our postseason future."

Starters still TBD

Even though Smith said he wasn't sure who would earn spots in tonight's starting lineup, he is confident his new practice grading system has been successful so far.

"I'm not sure about the lineup (tonight), but the team we've started the last two games has done a great job," he said. "I'm very impressed with them."



KEITH SMILEY | STAFF
Brandon Stockton has benefited from head coach Tubby Smith's implementation of a practice ratings system. Stockton has started both games since Smith announced the system would determine playing time.

They're not doing anything spectacular, but they're getting the job done. I think they've taken pressure off some of the other guys."

Though point guard Brandon Stockton hasn't produced jaw-dropping stat lines in the first two starts of his career, he's given the Cats a much-needed dose of senior leadership.

"I like that he's positive," Smith said of his new floor leader. "He doesn't make mistakes, he passes the ball to the open man. He doesn't have the athleticism, the height and the physical ability of some players but he always does what we ask him."

Stockton said his new role as a starter, even if it's temporary, vindicates the effort he's put in the past four years.

"It feels really great," he said. "It shows that if you work hard and show up, good things will happen. I've got an opportunity and I'm going to grab hold of it and do the best I can."

Junior Lukasz Obrzut has returned to the starting rotation as well. Though Morris has come off the bench to play the bulk of the minutes at the center position in each of the last two games, Obrzut feels he's playing a role in UK's post success by softening up the opponent's starters.

"I just try to wear opponents down so when our subs come in they'll have an easier job because the opponents are tired," he said. "I just feel good about being able to help my teammates."

Hobbs sidelined
Ramel Bradley isn't the only team member who will be missing against Ole

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Miss. Associate head coach David Hobbs is recovering after having surgery earlier this week. He missed the last three practices and won't be on the bench tonight.

"I'm not at liberty to discuss his medical situation but the surgery went well," Smith said. "Smith said the Cats will miss Hobbs' guidance on the defensive end."

"Dave's very involved in defense and the matchups," he said. "Someone else will have to pick that up and take over in that respect."

Low confidence in high socks
As part of their SEC throwback uniforms against South Carolina, the Cats sported retro knee-high socks.

"They were in our bags and Rajon (Rondo) made a comment that everybody was going to wear the long socks," Stockton said.

Sophomore guard Joe Crawford took the court in the second half with his socks pushed down, saying his poor shooting before the break prompted the change.

But fashion sense may have been more of a motivator for the switch than superstition. Before practice yesterday he expressed regret over his teammates' desire to keep wearing the knee-highs, saying his friends and family won't let him live it down.

"Most people haven't seen it yet," he said. "But I'm sure the phone's going to start ringing soon."

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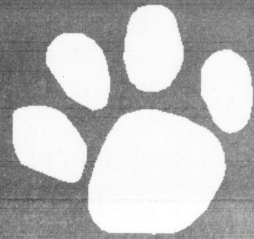
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WEST	EAST
LOUISIANA STATE SEC record: 10-2 (18-7 overall)	TENNESSEE SEC record: 10-2 (19-4 overall)
ALABAMA SEC record: 8-5 (15-10 overall)	FLORIDA SEC record: 8-4 (22-4 overall)
ARKANSAS SEC record: 7-6 (18-8 overall)	UK SEC record: 7-5 (17-9 overall)
MISSISSIPPI SEC record: 4-8 (14-11 overall)	VANDERBILT SEC record: 5-7 (14-9 overall)
MISSISSIPPI STATE SEC record: 3-9 (13-12 overall)	SOUTH CAROLINA SEC record: 5-7 (14-11 overall)
AUBURN SEC record: 2-10 (10-13 overall)	GEORGIA SEC record: 4-8 (14-11 overall)

Remaining Games

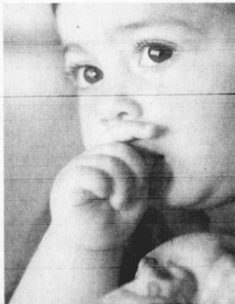
Alabama @ Alabama @ Auburn @ Mississippi St.	Georgia @ South Carolina @ Mississippi St. @ Florida @ Kentucky @ Ole Miss @ LSU @ Tennessee @ Florida	Louisiana St. @ Vanderbilt @ Kentucky @ S. Carolina @ Ole Miss Mississippi @ Kentucky @ Auburn @ Vanderbilt @ LSU Mississippi St. @ Auburn	Georgia @ Arkansas @ Alabama S. Carolina @ Georgia @ Vanderbilt @ Auburn Tennessee @ Florida @ Arkansas @ Kentucky	@ Vanderbilt Vanderbilt @ LSU @ S. Carolina @ Ole Miss @ Tennessee SEC Tourney March 9-12 Gaylord Center Nashville, Tenn.
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11/13 South Dakota St.	W	71-54
11/14 Lipscomb	W	67-49
11/21 *Iowa	L	63-67
11/22 *West Virginia	W	80-66
11/25 Liberty	W	81-51
11/29 High Point	W	75-55
12/03 North Carolina	L	79-83
12/06 @ Georgia St.	W	73-46
12/10 Indiana**	L	53-79
12/17 Louisville	W	73-61
12/23 Iona***	W	73-67
12/30 Ohio****	W	71-63
1/3 Central Florida	W	59-57
1/7 @ Kansas	L	46-73
1/10 Vanderbilt	L	52-57
1/14 Alabama	L	64-68
1/17 @ Georgia	W	69-55
1/21 South Carolina	W	80-78
1/24 @ Auburn	W	71-62
1/29 Arkansas	W	78-76
2/1 @ Mississippi St.	W	81-66
2/4 @ Florida	L	80-95
2/7 Tennessee	L	67-75
2/11 @ Vanderbilt	L	81-84
2/15 Georgia	W	68-61
2/18 @ South Carolina	W	79-66
2/22 Ole Miss		8:00 p.m.
2/25 @ LSU		3:45 p.m.
3/1 @ Tennessee		8:00 p.m.
3/5 Florida		Noon

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| 1. Duke | 1. Duke |
| 2. Villanova | 2. Villanova |
| 3. Connecticut | 3. Memphis |
| 4. Memphis | 4. Connecticut |
| 5. Gonzaga | 5. Gonzaga |
| 6. George Washington | 6. George Washington |
| 7. Texas | 7. Texas |
| 8. Illinois | 8. Illinois |
| 9. Pittsburgh | 9. Florida |
| 10. Tennessee | 10. Pittsburgh |
| 11. Boston College | 11. Tennessee |
| 12. Florida | 12. Ohio State |
| 13. Ohio State | 13. Boston College |
| 14. West Virginia | 14. N.C. State |
| 15. N.C. State | 15. West Virginia |
| 16. Kansas | 16. Michigan State |
| 17. Washington | 17. UCLA |
| 18. Michigan State | 18. Kansas |
| 19. UCLA | 19. Washington |
| 20. Iowa | 20. Oklahoma |
| 21. North Carolina | 21. North Carolina |
| 22. Oklahoma | 22. Iowa |
| 23. Georgetown | 23. Georgetown |
| 24. Louisiana State | 24. Louisiana State |
| 25. Northern Iowa | 25. George Mason |

Received votes: George Mason, Wisconsin, Marquette, Bucknell, Alabama-Birmingham, Western Kentucky

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SEC Statistics

Scoring offense	Field goal percentages	Free throw percentages
1. Tennessee 83.4 points/game	1. Florida 51.5 percent	1. Florida 72.9 percent
2. Florida 81.0 points/game	2. Louisiana St. 48.1 percent	2. Alabama 71.9 percent
3. Louisiana St. 75.8 points/game	3. Tennessee 46.9 percent	3. Tennessee 69.6 percent
4. Arkansas 74.4 points/game	4. South Carolina 46.8 percent	4. Vanderbilt 69.6 percent
5. Georgia 72.2 points/game	5. Vanderbilt 46.5 percent	5. Arkansas 68.8 percent
6. Vanderbilt 70.7 points/game	6. Arkansas 46.1 percent	6. Louisiana St. 68.2 percent
7. Alabama 70.6 points/game	7. Alabama 45.9 percent	7. South Carolina 67.1 percent
8. UK 70.5 points/game	8. Mississippi 45.6 percent	8. Georgia 66.3 percent
9. South Carolina 69.3 points/game	9. UK 45.0 percent	9. UK 64.2 percent
10. Mississippi St. 68.2 points/game	10. Georgia 43.9 percent	10. Mississippi 64.0 percent
11. Mississippi 67.4 points/game	11. Mississippi St. 43.8 percent	11. Mississippi St. 63.6 percent
12. Auburn 65.6 points/game	12. Auburn 43.5 percent	12. Auburn 62.5 percent
Scoring defense	Field goal percentage defense	3-point field goal percentages
1. Florida 64.1 points/game	1. Louisiana St. 39.9 percent	1. Tennessee 39.5 percent
2. Louisiana St. 64.2 points/game	2. Florida 40.7 percent	2. Florida 39.3 percent
3. South Carolina 64.4 points/game	3. Mississippi St. 40.9 percent	3. Vanderbilt 39.1 percent
4. Arkansas 64.7 points/game	4. Arkansas 41.4 percent	4. South Carolina 37.5 percent
5. Vanderbilt 65.5 points/game	5. Alabama 42.0 percent	5. Auburn 35.8 percent
6. UK 66.0 points/game	6. UK 42.5 percent	6. Georgia 35.5 percent
7. Alabama 66.9 points/game	7. South Carolina 43.1 percent	7. Mississippi 35.2 percent
8. Mississippi 67.6 points/game	8. Auburn 43.6 percent	8. UK 34.8 percent
9. Auburn 67.7 points/game	9. Vanderbilt 43.9 percent	9. Arkansas 34.2 percent
10. Mississippi St. 68.7 points/game	10. Mississippi 44.7 percent	10. Louisiana St. 33.8 percent
11. Georgia 70.7 points/game	11. Georgia 45.4 percent	11. Alabama 32.6 percent
12. Tennessee 73.9 points/game	12. Tennessee 47.0 percent	12. Mississippi St. 30.0 percent

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WHAT TO WATCH FOR:
UK versus Ole Miss

Higher socks, tougher defense

Wearing retro uniforms, the Cats returned to the Tubbyball of old Saturday by playing tenacious defense and attacking the glass. The Cats will don the old school uni again tonight as the Southeastern Conference's "Throwback Week" rolls on, and perhaps, they will continue their return to old-fashioned fundamentals.

The high socks and the simple jerseys aren't the magic ingredients — it's the commitment to solid basketball. Forget all the theories about these Confounding Cats; it all comes down to defense. When the Cats play on 'D,' they win. When they don't, anything can happen.

So let Joe Crawford pull down the socks if he wants, as long as he doesn't slow down on defense.

Still, Lukasz Obrzut thinks the socks are a positive change.

"I like the high socks," he said. "We used to wear high socks in Poland in the winter to keep our legs warm. Poland is not as warm as here — in the arenas. High socks are nice. I like changes. I like the new uniforms. It reminds us of the teams before us — how hard they worked and how much they won for this university. I like that (the socks) are high and that they match the uniforms."

Paging Preston LeMaster?

With sophomore guard Ramel Bradley on the bench nursing a broken left (non-shooting) hand, UK head coach Tubby Smith said it would be an opportunity for other UK guards to step up. His suggestion? Senior guard Preston LeMaster.

"It expands some of the other players' roles, like Preston LeMaster," Smith said. "He's a very talented player and he grades out positively every practice. This might be his chance."

So watch out, you might be witnessing LeMaster (French for "the master") host a coming out party. Or maybe not. You just never know.

A man-sized matchup for Morris

On Saturday, Randolph Morris looked like the man everyone expected he could be. He notched his first double-double of the season, with 13 points and 11 rebounds, and he anchored a suddenly explosive UK offense.

Tonight, he faces a behemoth in the paint — the Rebels' 6-foot-8, 290-pound Wayne Curtis. Curtis leads the team in scoring, rebounding, blocks and steals, so yeah, he's a handful. The Cats need Morris on the floor, so he must avoid foul trouble. And another double-double (he only has two in his career at UK) wouldn't hurt either.

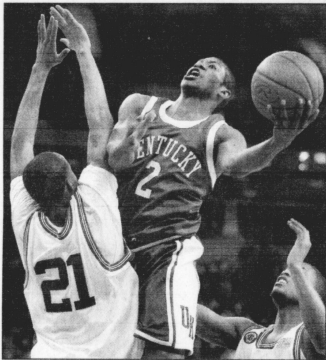
More of the same?

UK owns Ole Miss — Mississippi if you're not into the whole brevity thing. The Cats own a 91-11 advantage in the all-time series, and they have won five in a row. In Lexington, UK is 46-2. So you've got to like UK tonight, right?

Donna Smith's attire

Brian Smith, son of Tubby and Donna Smith, makes his first trip to Rupp Arena as a Rebel, once again placing his mom in an awkward situation. All three of Smith's sons — G.G. (Georgia), Saul (UK) and Brian (Ole Miss) — have played in the SEC. At least Saul made it easy for Donna to choose an outfit.

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Above: Sophomore center Randolph Morris has the ball stolen during the Cats' win over South Carolina Saturday in Columbia, S.C.

Left: Senior guard Ravi Moss attempts a layup over Gamecock guard Tarence Kinsey during UK's 79-66 win at South Carolina on Saturday.

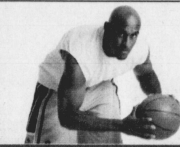
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